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## HAMILTON CLAIMS AN ALIBI.

His Evidence on His Trial for Murdering His Wife.

Asserts that He Was Not in Winfield the Night She Was Killed.

(SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD.)

LONG ISLAND CITY, July 13.—The trial of Rev. James L. Hamilton, the colored ex-Metho-

dist preacher, for the murder of his wife, Annie Hamilton, was delayed to-day half an hour in the Queens County Court of Oyer and Terminer by the tardiness of Juror James D. Chapman, of Flushing, in arriving. Justice Cullen administered a severe rebuke to the juror.

District Attorney Fleming having rested his case for the prosecution Lawyer Trapp opened for the defense. He said he would prove that Hamilton was not in Winfield, the scene of the murder, that night, but was in Flushing.

Lawyer Trapp called Mrs. Ketcham and Gardner Mitchell, both of Flushing, as witnesses for the defense, but they were not in court, and Justice Cullen issued attachments for those persons to be brought to the Court-house.

Hamilton was then called to the witness stand. Before coming from his cell he had been asked to prepare his story, and did not show much nervousness while giving his testimony. He said he had been a Methodist preacher, but for the last eighteen months had been employed as a gatekeeper on the Long Island Railroad between Little Neck and Great Neck.

His lawyer told him to describe his movements the night his wife was murdered. He testified that during that night he spent most of the time in bed at his boarding-house, and in the afternoon went to the house of Mrs. Ketcham, in Flushing, where he remained until about 4.45. He then went back to his boarding-house, and remained there until about 7.45, when he went out for a walk.

He said he entered the Baptist church in Flushing, about 8.45, and remained there about ten minutes. From the church he went directly home and went to bed.

On cross-examination Hamilton made several damaging admissions. He admitted that the place of a walking-stick found near the murdered woman's body was his, but said he had lent it to a man whose name he did not know to kill a dog with. He acknowledged writing a letter to his wife, which was produced in court, making an appointment to meet her in Winfield, but gave no explanation of it.

After recess counsel began to sum up, and the case will probably go to the jury to-night.

**\$50 HORSE, \$250 DOG.**

Two Brooklyn Men Arrested for Larceny of Live Animals.

In the Butler Street Court, Brooklyn, this morning, Saloon-keeper Martin Hanley was held in \$1,000 for trial on the charge of stealing an animal described by the police as a "Dandy Bismarck" dog.

The dog is the property of James Bennett Yates, first mate of the Wilson steamship Elbro, and is valued at \$250. The complaint says the dog was stolen May 12, from the pier, and was found in Hanley's saloon at Halsey and Grand streets, about 4 o'clock, June 27. Both men denied the charges.

**River and Harbor Bill Signed.**

WASHINGTON, July 13.—The President has signed the River and Harbor bill.

**SHIPPING NEWS.**

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## SILVER BEATEN.

Decisive Battle Brought on in the House To-Day.

Bland Speaks Desperately for the Free-Coinage Cause.

Catchings Yields Time Generally to Sarcastic Mr. Reed.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

WASHINGTON, July 13.—A free coinage men have been defeated in the House.

How the Fight Opened.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

WASHINGTON, July 13.—Half an hour before the House met this morning the attendance was larger than it has been for many days.

There was much talk and consultation and signs of excitement. The leaders on each side were marshaling their forces and all was made ready for the big silver battle.

The silver men suddenly changed their programme this morning.

They resolved to force the fighting, and made the engagement short, sharp and finally decisive of the silver question.

The clock indicated a minute past 12 when Mr. Catchings of Mississippi, speaker Crisp's lieutenant on the floor, reported from the Committee on Coinage the resolution which all were expecting to make the silver bill a special order for to-day and the next legislative day.

The Republicans had determined on their programme, and ex-speaker Reed, as the representative of his party, was on his feet the instant the reading of the resolution had been concluded by the clerk.

Before Mr. Catchings could say a word Mr. Reed interposed a motion to lay the resolution on the table, but the speaker would not recognize the gentleman from Maine, ruling that Mr. Catchings had the floor and could not be taken from it. When the gentleman from Maine got the floor he could make his motion.

Mr. Reed insisted on his right to make a motion in advance of one from Mr. Catchings, and so the resolution was not taken and the purpose of his motion. It was to lay the resolution and with it the silver bill in the current time.

The House, Mr. Reed said, should control its own affairs. There were two motions which could be made, and he should be permitted to vote that way if he desired.

Speaker Crisp ruled against Mr. Reed. He did not count Mr. Reed's motion as a vote, and in his ruling, based his decision on the ground that Mr. Reed could not make any motion until after the speaker had taken the chair.

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## MR. ASTOR IMPROVING.

The Family's Report of His Condition To-Day Favorable.

No Light on the Mystery of "Clement's" Identity.

Efforts to Be Made to Punish the Originator of the False Report.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LONDON, July 13.—Mrs. William Waldorf Astor reports this morning that her husband passed a good night and that he is still making rapid progress towards recovery.

The strain of the excitement occasioned by the report of his death has been very severe, she said, and he is completely un-nerved. She passed a sleepless night. She has been inundated by a flood of cable despatches of condolence and inquiry ever since Sunday.

The report of Mr. Astor's death has caused the greatest indignation among the friends of the family, and it has been determined to publish the individual who started it.

Notwithstanding the reiterated denial of the report made by the Associated Press, the representative in this city insisted upon the correctness of the fact that Mr. Astor was getting well.

Many private telegrams have been received by banks and corporations to-day asking for positive news.

Mr. Adams, Mr. Astor's agent here, to-day received a cable despatch from Mr. Baldwin asking him to confirm the announcement contained in a cable despatch received by him, signed "Clement," that Mr. Astor was dead.

"No one named Clement ever had any connection with Mr. Astor here," said Mr. Adams.

"Why Mr. Baldwin or any one else should so carelessly repeat news on a subject from an unknown person, especially when I am constantly calling it out to them, is something I cannot understand."

"I thought last night that my name had been forged to the message to Mr. Baldwin, in which event I had a clear case against the forger, but if the latter was sharp enough to use a fictitious name and Mr. Baldwin was credulous enough to accept it, I am sorry I did not do so."

Mr. Adams added that Mr. Astor was rapidly recovering.

Two cablegrams were received this morning by Business Manager C. W. Baldwin, of the office of the John Jacob Astor estate, stating that William Waldorf Astor continued to improve.

One of the cablegrams was direct from Manager Adams of the London office and the other came from Mr. Astor's London office.

In neither of the cablegrams, however, was there anything that would throw any light on the strange mystery surrounding the bogus cablegram signed "Clement," announcing Mr. Astor's death, received by Manager Adams on Monday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock.

If there were any facts in to-day's cablegrams, which would lead to the discovery of the forger, Mr. Baldwin would not have been so reticent in giving them to the press, having once said that he was not at all conversant with the Astor family.

The Evening World reporter saw the "Clement" cablegram and reached here yesterday morning. It was on a blank of the Anglo-American Company.

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## LAST WEEKS OF THE ASSIGNEE'S SALE.

The well-known Stock of John Simpson selling at a fraction of its value.

A Large Assortment of the Following Goods to Select from:

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS, FURNITURE, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, CHINA, CROCKERY, LINEN, CLOTHING, HATS, SHOES, GLOVES, Hosiery, Trimmings and Buttons, Trunk and Suit Cases, Umbrellas, Parasols, and all other goods.

MUSTINS and SHEETINGS, Surah Silks, Wash Goods, Crepes and Velvets.

NO GOODS SOLD TO DEALERS.

125TH ST. AND 7TH AVE.

KNOCKED OUT BY BOSS TWEED. CYRUS W. FIELD'S FUNERAL.

Jim Fisk Gives Up the Battle of Beefsteaks.

To Be Laid Beside His Wife at Stockbridge, Mass.

By His Own Request the Service Will Be Very Simple.

The exercises at the funeral of Cyrus W. Field will, according to his own wish, be very simple. To-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, the family will meet at the residence at Dobbs' Ferry, where Mr. Field died, and short services will be conducted by Bishop Potter.

The body will be taken by the family to Stockbridge, Mass., Friday. The trip will be made in a special New York Central train that will leave New York at 7 o'clock in the morning, arriving at Stockbridge about 1.30 in the afternoon.

The exercises at Stockbridge will be conducted in the old Congregational church of which the father of Mr. Field became pastor in 1854. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock in the morning, and the body will be buried in the cemetery where burial will take place in a beautiful valley overlooked by high hills.

Mr. Field will be buried by the side of his wife, who died at Stockbridge, Mass., in 1881. The exercises at Stockbridge will be conducted in the old Congregational church of which the father of Mr. Field became pastor in 1854.

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## Bloomingdale's O'NEILL'S

5th Ave. Corner 59th St. Clearing Sale

6th Ave., 20th to 21st St.

SPECIAL SALE OF French Sateen Corsets, MEDIUM LENGTH.

2.15, 1.75, 1.50; former prices 3.25, 2.50 and 2.00.

EXTRA LONG WAIST, 2.40; former price 3.50.

The above Goods are of the best grade and finish and worthy of immediate attention.

H. O'NEILL & CO., 6th Ave., 20th to 21st St.

DIDN'T CARE FOR THE HAT.

After He Had Had a Talk with the Spectacles and Eyeglasses, finest temple, steel frames and framesless, value \$50 to \$100, on

Special Sale at 50c to \$1.00.

Bloomingdale Bros., Third Ave., Cor. 59th St.

G. W. CURTIS IN NO DANGER.

His Illness Is of a Dropsical Character, so Far as Known.

The Family Feel no Alarm About Him at Present.

George W. Curtis, the lecturer, editor and author, concerning whose illness a great variety of conflicting reports have been published in the last few days, some representing him as dying, others as convalescing, was this morning said to be considerably improved.

Dr. Francis G. Curtis, of West Newton, Mass., a son of the sick man, arrived yesterday morning, and is stopping at the Curtis home, on Ward Avenue, Livingston, S. I.

Mr. Curtis was not in when an Evening World reporter called this morning, but Miss E. W. Curtis, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Curtis, said:

"My father is a very sick man, but no means dangerously so. His illness is not stomachic at all as was at first reported. It is dropsical, but the exact nature and extent of the disease have not yet been ascertained. The doctors will hold a consultation in a day or so to determine the cause of the disease. I do not think the doctors have withheld from us the real condition of my father. They say that his illness is a tedious one, but the exact nature and extent of the disease have not yet been ascertained. The doctors will hold a consultation in a day or so to determine the cause of the disease. I do not think the doctors have withheld from us the real condition of my father. They say that his illness is a tedious one, but the exact nature and extent of the disease have not yet been ascertained. The doctors will hold a consultation in a day or so to determine the cause of the disease. I do not think the doctors have withheld from us the real condition of my father. 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